

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
U.S. Appln. No. 09/816,352
Attorney Docket No.: Q63622

REMARKS


In the Advisory Action mailed December 1, 2006, the Examiner has indicated that claims 17 and 18 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form. The Amendment filed on November 20, 2006 has not been entered.

By this Amendment, Applicant cancels the rejected claims 1, 3-7, 19, 20, and 21 and rewrites claims 17 and 18 into their independent form. Accordingly, placing this Application in condition for immediate allowance.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. **If any points remain in issue, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact attorney the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.**

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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